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FM AMEMBASSY MANILA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 0151
INFO ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS
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E.O. 12958: DECL: 09/02/2013
TAGS: PTER, KCRM, KTIA, PREL, RP
SUBJECT: GRP REQUEST FOR ACCESS TO HAMBALI

REF: A. MANILA 4622
B. COLE/LATIMER E-MAIL 8/19
C. COLE/GILPIN E-MAIL 8/19
D. CUTLER/ROTH EC 8/19
E. LUCAS/JACOBSON E-MAIL 8/19

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1.5 (B), (C), (D).

1. (U) SEE ACTION REQUEST AT PARA 3 BELOW.

2. (U) AS INDICATED IN REFS B-E, POST RECEIVED A NOTE
VERBALE (FULL TEXT AT PARA 5 BELOW) ON AUGUST 19 FROM THE
DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (DFA) REQUESTING ACCESS TO
RIDUAN ISAMUDDIN, A.K.A. HAMBALI, UNDER THE MUTUAL LEGAL
ASSISTANCE TREATY IN CRIMINAL MATTERS (MLAT). ACCORDING TO
THE NOTE, HAMBALI IS UNDER INDICTMENT IN THE PHILIPPINES FOR
THE DECEMBER 2000 LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT (LTR) BOMBING IN MANILA

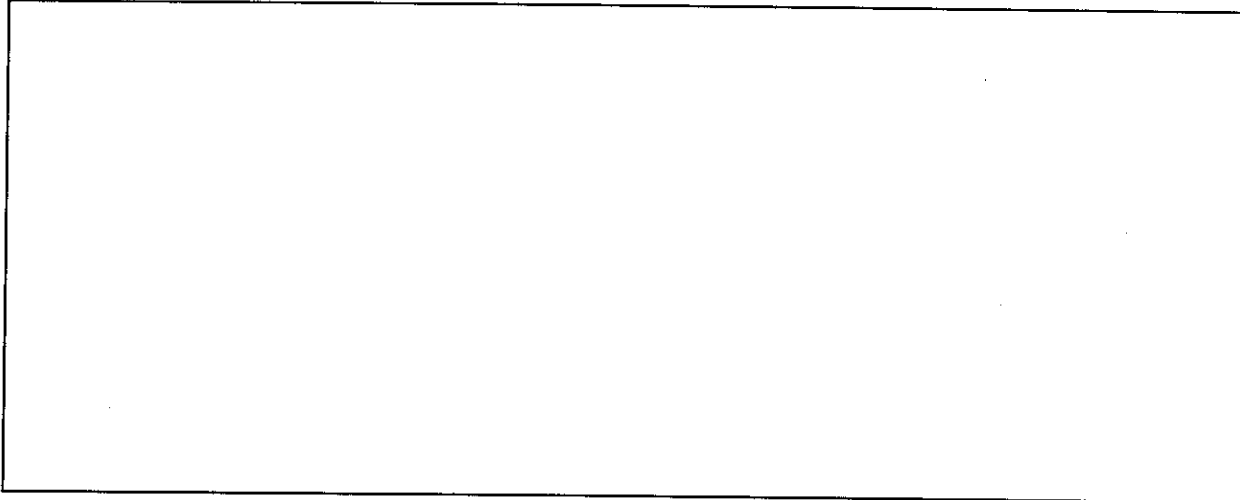
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE
REVIEW AUTHORITY: SHARON E AHMAD
CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL REASON: 1.4(B), 1.4(D)
DECLASSIFY AFTER: 2 SEP 2023
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THAT KILLED 22 PEOPLE.

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5. (SBU) BEGIN TEXT OF NOTE VERBALE:

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THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE RECENT CAPTURE OF RIDUAN ISAMUDDIN, ALSO KNOWN AS HAMBALI, AND WHO IS CURRENTLY HELD BY THE AUTHORITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

THE DEPARTMENT HAS THE FURTHER HONOR TO INFORM THAT RIDUAN ISAMUDDIN HAS BEEN INDICTED IN THE DECEMBER 2000 LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT (LRT) BOMBING IN MANILA THAT KILLED 22 PEOPLE AND IS BELIEVED TO BE INVOLVED IN OTHER TERRORIST ACTIVITIES IN THE PHILIPPINES.

PURSUANT TO THE TREATY ON MUTUAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST THAT PHILIPPINE AUTHORITIES BE ALLOWED ACCESS TO RIDUAN ISAMUDDIN AND BE GIVEN ANY INFORMATION THAT THE AUTHORITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAS AS A RESULT OF ITS CUSTODY OF RIDUAN ISAMUDDIN THAT MIGHT BE RELEVANT TO THE EFFORTS OF THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT IN FIGHTING TERRORISM IN THE PHILIPPINES.

THIS REQUEST IS WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO A POSSIBLE FUTURE REQUEST FROM THE PHILIPPINES BASED ON THE EXTRADITION TREATY BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AVAILS ITSELF OF THIS
OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW TO THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA THE ASSURANCES OF ITS HIGHEST CONSIDERATION. END
TEXT.
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